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MEMORANDUM:

OFFICE OF
PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

SUBJECT:

Avermectin (Abamectin); PP#7G3468/7H5518; Avermectin

in/on Citrus; Risk Assessment for Harvestors

Reentering Ornamental Field/Greenhouses Treated with

Avid 0.15EC

Caswell No. 63AB

Record No. 190395/190398

Project No. 7-0469

TO:

George LaRocca

Product Manager 15

Registration Division, TS-767

and

Exposure Assessment Branch

Hazard Evaluation Division, TS-769

THRU:

Edwin Budd, Section Head

Review Section II Toxicology Branch

Hazard Evaluation Division, TS-769

FROM:

William Dykstra

Toxicology Branch

Hazard Evaluation Division, TS-769

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Requested Action:

Review attached information.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

- 1. TB will determine the margins of safety to harvesters (pickers) based on <u>EAB exposure estimates</u> determined from the submitted dislogdebable residue data.
- 2. TB requests that EAB determine exposure to dislodgeable residues from the submitted data.

Review:

1. No new toxicity data were presented.



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MEMORANDUM:

Plant Metabolite and Photodegradant of Abamectin; SUBJECT:

Delta 8.9-isomer of Abamectic Found in Citrus

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During the current review of the use of abamectin on citrus (PP#7G3468/7H5518), the registant has identified a plant metabolite which forms from photodegradation on citrus. plant metabolite is the delta-8,9 isomer of abamectin. The mouse oral LD50 is greater than 80 mg/kg. However, delta-8,9 isomer of abamectin has a NOEL for teratogenicity in mice at 0.06 mg/kg. The NOEL for maternotoxicity in mice is 0.1 mg/kg.

Toxicology Branch requires that the registrant determine if and at what levels the delta-8,9 isomer of abamectin is formed on ornamentals from use of Avid® and in the environment (grass, etc.) from the use of Affirm® in the treatment of fire ants. Additionally, margins of safety calculations would be required to be submitted for these uses and all future uses.

Toxicology Branch is requiring additional toxicological evaluation of the delta-8,9 isomer in the citrus petition.

EAB should be made aware that we are concerned about potenial human exposure to this photodegradate.

Avermectin toxicology review
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